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BIRTH.

On the 28th March, at No. 50, Bubbling Well Road, the wife of WILLIAM AUGUSTUS WHITE, of a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

On the 31st March, at the Union Church, by the Rev. C. H. Hickling, ROBERT W. ASTILL, of Shanghai, to ROSE WILLIAMS, of Birmingham.

The Daily Press.

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HONGKONG, 4TH APRIL, 1904

Forty-five pages of the latest *Government Gazette* are occupied with the Report of the Director of Public Works for the year 1903. Here the general public has brought under its notice the multitudinous duties and responsibilities which a Public Works Department is required to assume in a Crown Colony like Hongkong. Land sales and surveys, waterworks and reclamation schemes, the construction and maintenance of public roads, bridges, sewers and nullahs, sea-walls, piers and lighthouses, the erection and maintenance of Government buildings, the construction and arrangement of buildings generally—all these and many others, even to the issue of squatters' licences—come within the province of the Public Works Department. And on each and every one of these subjects something has to be said in the Director's annual report. It is not possible in the space of a column, or even two, to touch upon all these topics. One subject dealt with in the Report is of sufficient public interest to monopolise all the space we are able in this column to devote to the consideration of the Report to-day. That subject is the water supply. While the community is still restricted to a two hours' daily service, the progress of the waterworks is a feature of the Report which will naturally command especial attention. The improvement in the service in 1903, as compared with that of 1902, though admitted to be principally due to

the incidence of the rainfall, was, it is satisfactory to learn, contributed to by the installation of temporary pumping plant in the Tyantuk Valley and by the Tyantuk Byewash reservoir being sufficiently advanced to enable about twenty million gallons to be impounded in September. In the year 1902 recourse was had to the intermittent supply on the 1st November; in 1903 it was not until the 15th December that it was deemed expedient to put the Colony on "short commons." So far we are not aware that it has been found necessary to have recourse to measures for importing water from the mainland as was done during the spring of 1902, but we regret to note that the quantity of water in the storage reservoirs of the Colony on the 1st January this year was 24 million gallons less than the amount in the reservoirs on the corresponding date last year. No fears or alarms are expressed in the Report concerning this rather disquieting statement, and perhaps no one need entertain them. But it is worth while pointing out that the returns given in the appendices show that the development of the Hill and the Higher Level Districts has resulted in largely increased demands for water, compared with the requirements of previous years, and as a natural consequence the water in the storage reservoirs must be all the more rapidly exhausted. It is to be noted, too, in this connection that we have so far had less rain this year than last, and the fact that there was less water in the reservoirs at the beginning of this year than at the beginning of last therefore takes on a more serious aspect as the dry season continues. Fortunately for this reason we are now approaching the end of the dry season, and trust no need will arise for further restricting the supply of water to the community.

A brief résumé of what has been done in the direction of securing a constant supply will not be out of place here. By paragraph 56 of Mr. CHATHAM's Report, which refers to the City and Hill District Waterworks, we learn that most of the works recommended in Mr. COOPER's Report of the 9th May, 1896, have been executed, together with certain additional items at an expenditure of \$319,285. Mr. COOPER's recommendations for the improvement of Pokfulam conduit have not yet been carried out, but the conduit has been thoroughly cleaned and freed from obstructions. With regard to the Peak supply it is stated the pumping plant and rising main required for maintaining the supply to the Peak have been indented for. The new engine is to be capable of raising 72,000 gallons per working day of twelve hours. In paragraph 64 referring to the Tyantuk scheme an account is given of what has been done to render available, until some permanent works can be established, the dry-weather flow of the streams, the water of which it is ultimately intended to impound. A small dam has been constructed and a temporary pumping plant laid down capable of raising half a million gallons per day from the Tyantuk valley to the gauge basin at the entrance to the Tyantuk tunnel. This engine started work on the 1st November, and notwithstanding the occurrence of some bursts in the rising main at the outset, the quantity of water pumped up to the end of the year amounted to 20½ million gallons. Some account is given of the sinking of wells for the purpose of ascertaining the depth at which a reliable foundation for a dam will be met, but Mr. CHATHAM says it appeared obvious from the results of the trial works that a lengthened period must elapse before a scheme for the low-level dam could be definitely prepared, submitted, and carried out, and therefore a scheme for a dam on another site has been referred home to the Secretary of State for the Colonies as affording the most ready and economical means of enabling this interval to be bridged over, while at the same time it will not hamper or interfere in any way with the carrying out of the original scheme. This new scheme is for a dam to impound 194 million gallons of water, and the entire cost, including pumping station, rising and suction mains, and certain new roads, is estimated to be \$780,000. The scheme had not been "definitely sanctioned" by the close of the year, but the Report states that the necessary drawings, etc., to enable a contract to be let were proceeded with and were in a forward state at the close of the year. This indicates that though the scheme has not been "definitely sanctioned" there is reasonable hope of full sanction being obtained. It is to be hoped that the decision of the home authorities will speedily be made known and that there will be no unnecessary delay in the commencement of this obviously urgent undertaking.

The actual expenditure on public works in the Colony last year amounted to \$1,349,532.

The Shanghai Tag and Lighter Company show in their profit and loss account for the past year a profit of Tls. 184,950.

It is announced that the first Gymkhana meeting will be held at the Happy Valley on Saturday, the 23rd inst. Particulars appear in our advertisement columns.

Mr. J. F. Boulton has been appointed to act as Assistant Director of Public Works from the 30th ult. during the tenure of the office of the D.P.W. by Mr. P. N. H. Jones.

A general map of the New Territory, on a scale of two inches to the mile, is now being prepared by the Public Works Department. It will show all streams, roads, paths, cultivated areas and villages.

Mr. P. N. H. Jones, the Acting Director of Public Works, has been provisionally appointed to be an official member of the Executive and Legislative Councils during the absence of Mr. W. Chatham.

The Superintendent of the Alice Memorial and Netherdale Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donation to the Building fund of the Maternity Hospital:—Tatoo Sports, \$52.80.

John William Stewart, formerly a captain in the China Merchants' service, was before the Supreme Court at Shanghai on the 28th March on a charge of stealing a bicycle. Prisoner pleaded that it was "Burns' night" when he took the bicycle, and he had too much to drink. The case was adjourned to allow of the prisoner finding sureties for his good behaviour.

O Patriota, our weekly Portuguese contemporary, states that the Portuguese cruiser *Vasco da Gama* is expected to arrive at Macao shortly. One of the cruisers, either the *Adamastor*, now in Hongkong harbour, or the *Vasco da Gama*, will probably proceed to the north. The same paper also states that according to letters received from Lisbon by the last mail, it is the intention of the Portuguese Government to despatch to Macao two more cruisers, *D. Carlos* and *D. Amélia* if necessary.

The new peal of bells at the Roman Catholic Cathedral were first rung on Saturday last (Holy Saturday) during the services in the morning. The pealing was very sonorous, but the manipulation was imperfect owing to want of practice on the part of the ringers. The Easter services on Sunday at the Cathedral were fully choral and were very imposing. His Lordship Bishop Piazoli, assisted by all the clergy, Italian, French, and Spanish, officiated, and the Congregation was very numerous.

The Paris *Temps* publishes a leading article on Tibet, in which the recent discussions in Parliament are referred to and Lord Curzon's action is emphasised. Indeed, the *Temps* is of opinion that the expedition is one of the fruits of the continued position of Lord Curzon as Viceroy of India. The *Temps* says:—"The truth is that one must see in this hybrid Mission, in which soldiers armed to the teeth escort an envoy bearing words of peace, Lord Curzon's answer to the mysterious Embassies which the Tsar received at Livadia and St. Petersburg."

Russian newspapers made much capital out of a report in circulation at the end of February to the effect that Jewish agents are now at Koshoff and Tamboff buying up for the British Army sound and healthy horses from five to eight years to the number of at least 3,000. Further, it was asserted that these horses are really intended for Japan. The *Sifet*, for instance, says:—"This is a nice business! While on every side we hear of offers made by Jews in connection with the war, huckstering Jews are at the same time leaving for the banks of the Vistula, while elsewhere other Jews are buying remounts for Japan. It is a revolting act of treason, and it is to be hoped that an enquiry will be held immediately and the guilty ones rigorously punished. If the horses which are being bought are really for the British it must not be forgotten that Great Britain, although now neutral, is Japan's ally, and that consequently this is by no means the time for the faithful subjects of the Tsar to furnish remounts for the British cavalry."

"F.A.G." writes in the *Kobe Chronicle*:—"Talking about war, one of the most pathetic, not to say tragic things which I have come across for some time is an 'express' which was delivered with the *Korea Review*, and which relates to an incident probably arising from the demoralisation of communications. It was headed 'Boxes Astray,' and read as follows:—"A box containing books of a religious nature has been delivered by mistake to the undersigned. Any one who gives an accurate description of the contents can take delivery. On the other hand, a box containing novels from London addressed to the undersigned has gone astray. If this has been delivered in mistake to any one in Corea, the advertiser will feel greatly obliged if the receiver will kindly inform him. T. E. Hallifax, Seoul." Mr. Hallifax has my deepest sympathy. To order a book of novels, and receive instead books of a religious nature! There will doubtless be many tragic incidents during the war, but it is difficult to conceive of anything more pathetic than the picture which is thus conjured up.

HONGKONG GENTLEMAN'S DEATH.
 We regret to announce the death of Mr. F. R. Spence who was formerly employed in Messrs. Brewer and Company's and latterly in the Customs in Queen's Road. It is supposed that he fell over the verandah.

Panglima Hassan, the Moro fanatic who has kept Jolo Island in a ferment, was killed on March 4, fighting absolutely singlehanded against a whole squadron of U.S. cavalry. He had refused the proffer of his life if he would surrender, and with twenty-five wounds on his body, his two companions shot down beside him, his rifle stricken from his hands by a bullet, he attempted to hew his way with a barong through a cordon of his foes. The cavalry sergeant who barred the path would have spared his life in admiration for his fierce courage, but Hassan rushed on him so savagely that he was forced to shoot to save his own life. Hassan's body rolled at his feet, the forehead riven by a forty-five calibre bullet. His body was literally full of holes.

In the House of Commons on the 29th February Captain Ellice (S. Andrews Burghs) asked the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs whether there was any international undertaking that belligerent ships of war should restrict their stay in neutral ports to 24 hours, or whether such instructions were only applicable to British ports. Earl Percy replied:—"There is no such international undertaking. The rule was adopted by this country in 1862, and since that date several foreign States have issued similar rules in connection with their observance of neutrality. Mr. Ross (Cambridge, Newmarket) then asked the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs whether his attention had been called to the seizure by Russian destroyers in the Red Sea, of British steamers laden with coal to Japan; and whether, in view of the fact of coal not having been declared contraband of war by Russia, and that over 15 ships of a total value including cargo, of over £700,000 had sailed from Cardiff under similar conditions and insured in London in the belief that coal was not declared contraband of war by Russia, he would state whether His Majesty's Government intended to take any action in the matter. Earl Percy said:—"His Majesty's Government have no information respecting the alleged seizures. They have been informed that the Russian Government are at present considering regulations in regard to contraband visits on the high seas, prize courts, &c., and that these regulations will shortly be communicated to the Powers."

KOWLOON BOWLING GREEN CLUB.

At the opening day of the season held at the Green on Saturday afternoon, the members and their friends, including a large number of ladies, spent very pleasant afternoon. The grounds, which were decorated all round with flags, presented a pleasant appearance. Tea was served on the lawn, and during the afternoon selection of music were played by the band of the 93rd Burma Infantry. Competitions for prizes were engaged in. Mrs. Jack presenting the prizes to the following winners:—

GENTLEMEN'S COMPETITION.
 J. W. Robertson and J. Kyles
 J. Parkes " J. Galt
 A. Kinross " W. Ramsay
 A. Milroy " J. C. Gow
 J. Ramsay " W. J. Pudepho
 J. Guy " Mr. Pollock

LADIES' AND GENTLEMEN'S COMPETITION.
 Mrs. Milroy and J. Macdonald
 Mrs. Mejer " J. Parkes
 Mrs. Kerr " J. Galt
 Mrs. W. Ramsay " A. Ewing
 Mrs. Jack " J. C. Gow
 Miss Guy " T. W. Robertson

CHAMPIONSHIP CUP for 1903. Presented by W. C. Jack, Esq.

Won by A. G. Ewing.
 2nd prize won by A. Ritchie.
 3rd prize won by T. W. Robertson.
 Most games played, W. M. Deas.

Three cheers for Mr. and Mrs. Jack and the ladies closed the proceedings of a very enjoyable afternoon.

CANTON.

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

INDIAN WATCHMAN MURDERED.
 On Wednesday information was received in Canton that an Indian watchman employed by American China Development Company had been murdered at Sainam, some miles beyond Canton. The murderer, another Indian, had blown off the back of his companion's head and then decamped. Doctor Shelby, the Railway surgeon, promptly proceeded to the scene, and the British Vice-Consul also went up, as the parties concerned were British subjects. I hear to-day that the murderer has been arrested in Hongkong. His arrest was, of course, only a matter of time. He could not hope to escape permanently.

FATAL JUNK ACCIDENT.
 Yesterday morning a sad affair occurred two or three miles below Canton—at Shan-lo-hau, where a small stream joins the Pearl River. A large passenger junk containing a load of 60 people capsized, and although the shore was not far distant, 15 were drowned. [These accidents are lamentably frequent, and seem always to be attended with heavy loss of life. The passage boats are always crowded to their full capacity, making the simile of "packed tight as herrings" not inapt with reference to them. This overcrowding, I believe, is not unheard of in Hongkong.]

MISCELLANEOUS.

The ferry-boats *Guiding Star* and *Morning Star*, late of Hongkong, and now in use here, are extensively patronised by the Chinese. They plied at first between the railway terminus and the China Merchants' Wharf, near the Custom House, but their terminus is now at the kind, some distance below, and more convenient for traffic. The band is making rapid progress. Large stones are being dumped off the foreshore, and when they rise above the surface sand is laid over them, while piles are driven in at intervals. The new ice company's premises will, it is said, be situated on the bank, which now reaches as far down as the new Medical College.

TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.]

SERIOUS FIGHTING IN TIBET.

LONDON, 2nd April.

It is officially reported that in an engagement fought at Guru, in Tibet, by the force accompanying the British Mission whose advance was resisted by the Tibetans, the Tibetan losses were 500 killed and wounded, and 200 were taken prisoners.

THE ANTARCTIC EXPEDITION.

LONDON, 2nd April.

The *Discovery*, the *Morning* and the *Terra Nova* have arrived at Lyttelton. The *Discovery* got within 500 miles of the South Pole.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

DESTRUCTION OF A RUSSIAN QUARANTINE STATION.

LONDON, 30th March.

Russia having protested, through the French Minister at Tokyo, against the destruction of the quarantine station at San-shantao during the fourth attack on Port Arthur, as a violation of the Hague Convention, as previously telegraphed, Baron Komura replying said he was not aware of the destruction of the station, but the Hague Convention did not apply to naval bombardments.

FOOD SUPPLIES.

LONDON, 1st April.

The Russian Commissariat is sending no foodstuffs to Manchuria, but is relying entirely on the plentiful local supplies of cattle and grain which have been accumulating at Harbin.

CHINA'S NEUTRALITY.

LONDON, 1st April.

The Chinese Legation at St. Petersburg declares that China is sincerely and firmly resolved to observe neutrality, from which resolve she will only depart in the event of the violation of Chinese territory by the Russians or Japanese.

THE CREWS OF THE "VARYAG" AND "KORSETZ".

LONDON, 1st April.

The crews of the *Varyag* and *Korsetz* have arrived at Odessa, receiving a triumphal reception.

INTERNAL TROUBLE IN COREA.

LONDON, 1st April.

The unruly elements in Corea are giving trouble and the country is not safe outside the Japanese lines.

BRITISH PARLIAMENTARY NEWS.

LONDON, 30th March.

Sir Michael Hicks-Beach has informed his constituents that he does not intend to seek reelection to Parliament.
 The House of Commons will adjourn on the 12th proximo.
 Mr. Balfour will probably introduce the Budget on the 19th proximo.

THE FRENCH NAVY.

LONDON, 31st March.

In a lengthy debate on the condition of the French navy, M. Lockroy sharply criticised the administration of M. Pelletan. The latter repeated the points of his defence on the 16th instant. M. Combes supported M. Pelletan. The Chamber eventually passed a resolution promising that a special enquiry into the state of the affairs of the fleet will be instituted.

FIGHTING IN TIBET.

LONDON, 1st April.

Reuter's correspondent at Tuna wires that the Tibetans asked the British Mission to retire, which Col. Younghusband refused to do and two engagements were fought in which the Tibetans suffered most severely, their dead lying in heaps. The Tibetans eventually fled to the hills, but a small force of 50 or 60 men obstinately held their camp at Guru, which was finally gallantly captured by the mounted Infantry and Ghoorkas.

LONDON, 1st April.

The *Times* correspondent at Fuma says it is significant that three of Tibetan generals escorted were armed with rifles bearing the Russian imperial stamp.

THE ANTARCTIC EXPEDITION.

LONDON, 1st April.

All the three Antarctic vessels, the *Discovery*, *Morning*, and *Terra Nova*, have arrived at Lyttelton. The *Morning* and the *Terra Nova* reached the *Discovery* on the 14th February, finding all well on board. The *Discovery* explorers continued their scientific work throughout the winter of 1903, and the spring found them all in excellent health and spirits. They ascertained that the interior of Victoria Land is continuous at a height of 9,000 feet and is evidently a vast continental plateau.

GERMAN MAIL DISABLED AT ADEN.

LONDON, 1st April.

The P. & O. steamer *Marmorata*, which is the passenger of the *Oldenburg*, takes is at Aden disabled.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE HILL DISTRICT RESERVATION

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

Hongkong, 31st March.

SIR,—One thing which strikes me in relation to the petition which you publish from Peak residents urging the establishment of an European reservation at the Peak is that the petitioners appear to forget that there are other Europeans in the Colony beside those who can afford to live at the Peak. Even a casual glance at the lists of visitors in the low-level hotels will convince anyone that the section of the European population which is forced to live on the Queen's Road level predominates to a very large degree over the Peak residents. Taipans may be able to live at the Peak, but the men who do the actual work of the big commercial and shipping firms have to live on the low level, "where the conditions are highly prejudicial to their health." If the encroachment of Chinese into the districts that are inhabited by the working Europeans (as apart from the *taipans* Europeans) menaces anybody, it certainly does not menace the Peak residents from whom this petition emanates. I suppose that if the purpose and intent of the petitioners were examined into it would be found that it is not the Chinese but the low-paid Europeans whom they object to as possible near neighbours. From their lordly eminence, the "Peakites" look down with something like contempt upon those unfortunate Europeans who are compelled by reason of low salary to live in close proximity to the Chinese population or else on the cheaper and lower levels. Of course it may be argued that in seeking to conserve the Hill District the residents there are doing a good turn to the European community as a whole. But it can also be argued that the Europeans who live at the Peak constitute a very small minority of the whole population, and that upon them "the value of the Empire" has a very slight dependence. If there is to be any legislation in the direction indicated in the petition surely it would be better to experiment in Kowloon (the central district of Victoria is to be put out of consideration), where the workers who make the backbone of "the Empire" will have to be housed as the growth of the Colony goes on—Yours, etc.,

ACCIDENT TO THE "OLDENBURG."

We are informed by Messrs. Melchers & Co. that the agent of the Norddeutscher Lloyd at Aden wired on the 30th March:—"Oldenburg cannot sail on account of shaft broken, probable departure 18th April." We are therefore asked to notify that the departure for Europe of the Imperial German Mail s.s. *Oldenburg* will be delayed for about three weeks.

REGISTRATION OF CHINESE AT MANILA.

Forty-seven thousand and some hundreds of certificates have been granted to the Chinese of the Philippines up to date. Forty-four thousand and several hundreds of these have been signed, and about thirty-five thousand or more already are in the possession of their owners. Under the system of registration used by the local officials, which is said to be the same as that adopted in the United States customs offices, the Chinese files his application blank. That is the first step. He is investigated, and if everything is found to be all right, the certificate is issued to him. This certificate is made in triplicate. The original goes to the Chinaman himself, a duplicate remains in the custom house issuing the paper, and the triplicate goes to the main office in Manila in the form of a stub in the certificate book. In this way, a triple check is laid upon the owner, and any attempt made to foist off another man's papers on the customs people usually lands both owner and deceiver in a very serious tangle, with gaol at one end of the line and probable forfeiture of the papers at the other.—*Manila Cablenews.*

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENT

The C. & M. s.s. ship *Zapra* left Manila on Friday afternoon and is due here on Monday at daylight.

The C.P.R. steamer *Barbar* left Vancouver, B.C., for Hongkong via the usual ports of call on Thursday, the 31st March.

The C.P.R. steamer *Athenian* arrived at Kobe at 3.30 p.m. on Wednesday, the 30th March, and left again at 8.30 p.m. on Thursday, the 31st for Shanghai, where she is due to arrive at noon on Monday, the 4th instant.

The E. & A. steamer *Australian*, for Australia, left Kobe on the 1st inst. for this port.

The Imperial German mail steamer *Seydlitz*, which left here on the 2nd ult., at noon, arrived at Genoa on Wednesday, 30th ult., at 5 p.m.

HONGKONG JOTTINGS.

During the past week there has been a noticeable, and most appreciable, change in the weather. Old Sol has shown himself on three days, and those days, by his wise dispensation, were the first of the Easter holidays. In consequence, business in certain directions became abnormally brisk, and the Peak tramway and the Kowloon ferries had somewhat of a difficulty in coping with the extra holiday traffic. The Peak cars were so full that large numbers were disappointed about finding seats, and several took jaunts into Kowloon Chinatown instead. But, better than all—the pleasant change enabled the sojourners here in this Colony to do it, even if only for a while, their heavy rain, mist, and damp-resisting garments, and don light summer clothing and so deceive themselves into a fictitious belief that “the spring is here.” The Chinese are predicting that there is more unpleasant weather coming, but all I can say is, long may it be delayed, for we have had enough of it for the present.

In a very little while the new tramways will begin running. At the depot at Bowrington Canal great activity is being shown in the preparation of the plant. Many of the cars have been constructed. They are very handsome carriages, roomy, well lighted and ventilated. By the way, the coming of the tramways is calculated to do away with the street ricksha more effectively than the Commission which recently sat to consider the betterment of the street vehicle service. But it is a question whether the tramways will oust the ricksha altogether, for it is difficult to imagine anything more convenient than the “handy little ricksha” which carries the passenger right up to his own door step.

It is interesting to note from the D.P.W.'s report for the past year that grants of land on nominal terms included a small area (2,500 square feet) for a temple at Tung Lo Wan; another for a cable hut for the Telegraph Companies at the junction of Bonham and Pokfulam Roads; an area of nearly an acre at Kai Lung Wan for an extension of the ground used for burying urns containing disinterred remains; an area of 2 acres at Happy Valley for the Asile de la Sainte Enfant; a small area (2,267 square feet) adjoining St. Joseph's Church in Garden Road; and an area of 1.55 acres for the erection of an Anglican Church in Kowloon near the Observatory.

Yesterday was Easter-day, and the absence of all proper decoration for this, the greatest Feast of the Church, was much commented on by the congregation which gathered at the Cathedral services. A lady, coming out of the Cathedral, said to me, “You would not think to-day was different to any other Sunday, judging from the appearance of the Church, would you?” I did not answer the question, directly, but I thought much, and wondered.

While one and all are ready to admit that the general working of the Post Office is carried on in a way that cannot fail to give general satisfaction to the public at large, there is no doubt that in some minor matters the service calls for non-complimentary comment. Of late several complaints have come to my knowledge about failure in the delivery of letters at the proper date locally. Now I am told by a correspondent that he was allowed by the P.O. authorities to send away through the Hongkong office certain postal orders to S. Africa which were afterwards returned as being uncollectable there. Surely the attendants at the Post Office should be able to inform customers of the proper mode of procedure in this direction.

With the cessation of football and cricket in the Colony—the destination of the Football Shield and the premier position in the Cricket League having now ceased to furnish a topic for speculation—it might be thought that matters in the way of sport would have been practically non est. Yet a cursory view around the Colony last Saturday at once dispelled any anticipations one might have entertained as to such being the case. On the Cricket Ground practice in lawn tennis was being vigorously entered into; and away down to the Happy Valley was to be witnessed the unique sight of athletic events, a hockey match, a football match, and a scratch cricket match, all going on within a distance of each other.

It appears that the necessary negotiations preliminary to the taking over of the old Rifle Ranges at Kowloon have not altogether been completed between the Government and the Military authorities. Meantime, however, the construction of the road across what will afterwards be the King's Park proceeds apace. It will afford a much-needed communication between the villages of Hungsham and Yau-mai. It crosses the swampy ground immediately to the north of Gun Club Hill and will intersect the area which it is intended, when negotiations with the War Department reach such a stage as to admit of it, to lay out as the King's Park. After traversing some rising ground, the road bifurcates, one portion communicating with Sixth Street, Yau-mai, and the other with an extension of Robinson Road which it is proposed to construct northwards past the Yau-mai Theatre. With a view to future developments, the road is being laid out with a width of 100 feet.

THE PRAYA RECLAMATION.

As the Praya Reclamation Works have now practically reached completion the Director of Public Works in his annual report gives the following account of their origin and progress—The Praya Reclamation Works were initiated by Sir C. P. Chater, and have been carried out under the Praya Reclamation Ordinance, No. 16 of 1889. Prior to the passing of this Ordinance, reclamations of limited extent at West Point in front of the Sailors' Home and the Wharf and Godown Company's property (Marine Lots 95 and 105) were sanctioned, but, as these fell within the limits of the main scheme, they were subsequently carried out in conjunction with it. A considerable quantity of rubble stone for the foundations of the sea wall for these reclamations had been deposited before the main scheme was undertaken and, as the new reclamation projected somewhat further into the harbour, it was necessary to widen the mound so formed in order to bring the wall into alignment.

The reclamation extends from the boundary of the Naval Yard Extension westwards to a point opposite Marine Lot 181, a distance of nearly 2 miles, the total area reclaimed from the sea being approximately 65 acres, made up as follows—

Praya Reclamation under Ordinance No. 16 of 1889	59 acres
West Point Reclamations	6
Total	65

Of this area 33.73 acres constitute building land, the remainder being occupied by roads and open spaces. An area of 2.21 acres of land outside the boundaries of the actual reclamation and formerly occupied by streets was rendered available for inclusion with building lots.

The total length of new Praya Wall 10,263 feet, made up as follows—

Praya Reclamation under Ordinance No. 16 of 1889	9,198 ft.
West Point Reclamations	1,065
Total	10,263

In connection with the Praya Reclamation Works the re-construction of Government Piers has also been carried on. So far as this work has progressed, it includes permanent structures for the Nam Pak Hong Pier, Boat-slips opposite the old and new Harbour Offices, Pottinger Street Pier, Blake Pier, Murray Pier, and temporary piers at Lee House Street and Wardley Street. The permanent structures are all of masonry and concrete with the exception of Blake Pier, which is constructed almost entirely of iron.

The total expenditure, up to the 31st December, 1903, on the whole of the above-mentioned works, amounted to \$3,362,325.37, made up as follows—

Praya Reclamation under Ordinance No. 16 of 1889	\$2,895,831.35
West Point Reclamations	221,378.28
Re-construction of Government Piers	245,115.74
Total	\$3,362,325.37

The estimated cost of the Praya Reclamation alone was \$2,942,916.65; consequently, when all outstanding accounts are paid, a small balance will probably remain to the credit of the scheme, notwithstanding the great increase in the cost of work during recent years, due principally to the drop in exchange from 3/4, at which rate the original estimate was made. The Ordinance provides, however, that the cost per square foot of any particular allotment is not to be fixed at the average cost of the whole Reclamation but at the average cost of the particular Section on which such allotment is situated. It is therefore more than probable that there will be a debit balance on some of the Sections, but it is certain that any such balance will only amount to a small percentage on the original estimated cost. The actual cost in any particular case cannot be exactly stated until revision of the accounts, now in progress, has been completed, and the necessary adjustments have been made between the various sections or between them and the Re-construction of Government Piers.

The actual construction of the Reclamation was commenced in February, 1900; so that about 14 years have been occupied in its execution. In an outlying part of the Harbour such a reclamation could have been carried out in less than half the time, as it would have been possible to proceed with the entire work simultaneously, but such an arrangement in the case of the Praya Reclamation, which extends throughout the entire frontage of the principal business part of the city, would have caused intolerable inconvenience, and consequently it had to be carried out by degrees. There were also other circumstances which seriously affected the progress of the work.

The original design of the new Praya Wall was prepared when Mr. J. M. Price was at the head of the Public Works Department. Just before the commencement of the Reclamation Works he was succeeded by Mr. S. Brown, who made some fundamental alterations in Mr. Price's design necessitating the employment of special plant, some of which had to be obtained from England. Although the rubble foundations for the Praya Wall were being proceeded with while the special plant was being obtained, a season's low tides were lost, and it may be said that the works suffered a year's delay, at the outset, through the change in design.

The principal feature of the new design for the wall was the substitution of blocks for granite footings, with the view of using the blocks, in the first instance, as temporary weights for loading and consolidating the rubble foundations. This was a slow and expensive process, but it was justified by results. The temporary load caused more or less settlement of the foundations throughout their whole extent, and they generally reached a permanent bearing before the superstructure was commenced. In some instances, however, the settlement became so

slow, during the later stage of the application of the load, that the blocks were removed before settlement was quite complete, and in building the superstructure an allowance for further settlement was made. In other instances the foundations suddenly collapsed, under the temporary load and, when this happened, the blocks had to be picked up with the aid of divers, the rubble foundations made good, and the temporary load replaced. Had the temporary loading of the foundations been dispensed with, it appears likely that several lengths of wall, probably after being finished to coping level, and backed up with earth, would have collapsed, and had to be rebuilt at great trouble and expense.

Another cause of delay was the period of severe depression and scarcity of money which was experienced in 1892, when doubts arose as to whether the Marine Lot-owners could fulfil their obligations in providing the funds necessary for the completion of the authorised works. The letting of new contracts was postponed until it was decided that the scheme was to be gone on with and carried to completion, and, before this decision was arrived at, a season's low tides were lost, causing practically a year's delay.

According to the original programme, the Reclamation was to be commenced simultaneously at both ends, and the works were to be carried on until they met in the middle; but owing to the refusal of the Lot-owners on Section No. 1w to come into the scheme, that portion of the Reclamation was not taken in hand until 1898. In carrying it out, the rubble foundations of the sea wall subsided repeatedly, and caused more trouble and delay than any other equal length of foundations.

Owing, however, to delays on the part of the contractor for Section No. 6w, Mr. Tsang Keng, work on section No. 1w was completed practically simultaneously with it.

Much of the work performed on the Reclamation is invisible, the foundations of the Praya Wall extending down through water and mud to the hard ground. This means that the depth of the wall and rubble mound, from the top of the coping to the bottom of the foundations, varies from 27 to 80 feet. In addition to being extended out to the new Praya Wall, the Storm-Water Drains had to be reconstructed from the old Praya Wall backwards, for distances varying from 100 to 1,450 feet. The aggregate of the areas of the Reclamations outside the old Praya Wall has already been given as 65 acres, but the whole surface of the old Praya had to be raised, and portions of the surfaces of the adjoining streets. Thus the total area dealt with was 80 acres, and the total weight of material used in the works may be put at something like 3,500,000 tons.

When it is mentioned that the cost of the entire work per square foot of building land has amounted to about \$2 to \$3, and that portions of the land in the western and central districts have realised \$8.78 and \$20.00 per square foot, respectively, there can be no question as to the success of the scheme from a financial point of view. The scheme has also been of great benefit in providing new and wide thoroughfares throughout the principal portion of the City and in affording accommodation for the great development which has occurred in the trade and population of the Colony. In addition to the sum expended upon the Reclamation itself, a large sum, probably about \$4,000,000, has been spent in the erection of buildings on it.

RUSSIAN TRANSPORT DIFFICULTIES.

A Frenchman having business transactions with Russia, who is consequently interested in obtaining accurate information, told the Times Paris correspondent that, should the Russian communications with Port Arthur be interrupted, there would not be sufficient provisions there for each more than a fortnight. The ammunition for the forts was to have arrived by sea, but cannot now reach its destination. The lack of supplies all round is thus a fresh proof that war, if expected in S. Petersburg, broke out very much earlier than was anticipated. The Times correspondent's informant has travelled over the Trans-Siberian railway, and his experience confirms that of many other experts that there is considerable risk that this line of communication may be cut off, at all events for a time.

He mentioned another point of weakness connected with the despatch of reinforcements from Russia to the seat of war. The quantity of provisions for the troops in Manchuria is inadequate to their requirements, and it is difficult to supply the deficiency in the country. The reinforcements proceeding daily to the front have to take their own supplies for the long journey, while provisions for the army already at the seat of war have to be forwarded along the same overland route. All this contributes to the congestion of traffic and delays the arrival of fresh troops. The same authority says forged rouble notes have already been introduced into Manchuria on a large scale. A change in the weather occurs in those climates about the month of May, but there is no marked transition between the winter and summer as is the case in certain parts of Europe, where before the snow has completely melted on one side of the road flowers are in bloom on the other. As soon as the hot weather sets in sickness among troops will create a serious difficulty for the Russians. These considerations alone impose certain precautions on army contractors, which will be easily conjectured by those conversant with military affairs. No doubt, too, all those contracting business with Russia are obliged to reckon to a certain extent with the internal situation of the Empire. It is a constant subject of conversation among prominent Russians themselves outside their own country, at all events among those who divide their time between S. Petersburg and Paris.

V.R.C. ATHLETIC SPORTS.

SATURDAY'S HEATS.

Some heats of the 100 yds., 120 yds., 220 yds., and 440 yds. flat races, and the 120 yds. hurdle race, were run off on Saturday. Results—100 YARDS FLAT RACE (Challenge Cup).—Presented by Dr. F. H. Kew. To be won three years before becoming the property of a Competitor. First prize presented by the China Sugar Refinery Club; second presented. First Heat—R. C. Wittichell, R. Hancock, E. F. Ancott, A. J. V. Ribeiro, E. R. Horton, J. Clelland, G. B. Macdonald, and C. T. Cooke. Second Heat—W. T. Andrews, T. C. Gray, J. H. Wittichell, J. P. Jordan, R. Bass, L. Hayter, N. H. Rutherford, and H. M. Bain. Third Heat—H. Hancock, C. Humphreys, A. Loureiro, H. W. Sayer, S. C. Ross, F. Long, H. D. Bell, J. H. A. Hance, and C. R. Cooper. First and second in each heat to run in the final. Previous Winner—F. H. Kew.

First Heat—E. R. Horton, 1; A. J. V. Ribeiro, 2.
Second Heat—J. P. Jordan, 1; N. H. Rutherford, 2.
Third Heat—H. Hancock, 1; J. H. A. Hance, 2.

120 YARDS FLAT RACE (Handicap).—First prize presented by Mr. J. R. M. Smith; Second prize presented. First Heat—L. Hayter, (Scratch), R. Hancock (Scratch), E. R. Horton (Scratch), R. C. Wittichell (2 yds.), F. Long (2 yds.), H. W. Sayer (3 yds.), A. E. Asger (4 yds.), and R. Pestonji (6 yds.). Second Heat—J. H. Wittichell (Scratch), T. C. Gray (Scratch), J. P. Jordan (1 yd.), R. Bass (2 yds.), H. D. Bell (3 yds.), J. A. Yanovich (4 yds.), and F. K. Tata (5 yds.). Third Heat—C. R. Cooper (Scratch), J. H. A. Hance (1 yd.), G. B. Macdonald (2 yds.), C. Humphreys (4 yds.), H. C. Austen (4 yds.), A. J. V. Ribeiro (4 yds.), E. F. Ancott (5 yds.), and H. M. Bain (6 yds.). Fourth Heat—H. Hancock (Scratch), N. H. Rutherford (1 yd.), S. C. Ross (1 yd.), C. T. Cooke (2 yds.), W. T. Andrews (4 yds.), E. Abraham (4 yds.), A. Loureiro (5 yds.), and R. Pestonji (5 yds.). Previous Winners were—1898, J. M. V. dos Remedios; 1899, Lieut. F. H. Hall; and 1900, R. Lapsley. First and second in each heat to run in the final.

First Heat—E. R. Horton, 1; R. Pestonji, 2.
Second Heat—H. D. Bell, 1; J. P. Jordan, 2.
Third Heat—J. H. A. Hance, 1; H. C. Austen, 2.
Fourth Heat—W. T. Andrews, 1; H. Hancock, 2.

220 YARDS FLAT RACE (Handicap).—First Prize presented by Commodore C. G. Dicken, R.N., second prize presented by Mr. W. Armstrong. First Heat—R. Hancock (Scratch), J. H. A. Hance (Scratch), A. Marti (3 yds.), N. H. Rutherford (3 yds.), G. B. Macdonald (5 yds.), J. Clelland (6 yds.), R. Wittichell (6 yds.), H. D. Bell (8 yds.), A. J. V. Ribeiro (9 yds.), H. C. Sayer (10 yds.), Second Heat—J. Wittichell (Scratch), J. P. Jordan (2 yds.), T. C. Gray (3 yds.), E. Humphreys (3 yds.), H. P. Weppell (4 yds.), J. A. Yanovich (6 yds.), H. C. Austen (8 yds.), F. Long (9 yds.), A. Loureiro (10 yds.), F. K. Tata (10 yds.), Third Heat—C. R. Cooper (Scratch), H. W. Sayer (2 yds.), L. Hayter (2 yds.), H. Hancock (4 yds.), C. Humphreys (4 yds.), C. T. Cooke (6 yds.), E. F. Ancott (8 yds.), R. Bass (8 yds.), W. T. Andrews (10 yds.), H. M. Bain (15 yds.). Previous Winners are—1898, J. M. V. dos Remedios; 1899, F. H. Kew; 1900, J. H. A. Hance. First and second in each heat to run in the final.

First Heat—A. J. V. Ribeiro, 1; J. H. A. Hance and A. Marti, dead heat for second.
Second Heat—F. K. Tata, 1; A. Loureiro, 2; J. P. Jordan and H. P. Weppell, dead heat for third.

Third Heat—C. T. Cooke, 1; E. F. Ancott, 2; W. T. Andrews, 3.

440 YARDS FLAT RACE (Challenge Cup).—To be won two years in succession before becoming the property of a competitor. First prize presented by Mr. H. N. Mody; second prize presented by Mr. H. C. Austen. First Heat—R. C. Wittichell, R. Hancock, E. F. Ancott, W. T. Andrews, T. C. Gray, J. H. Wittichell, H. Hancock, C. Humphreys. Second Heat—A. Loureiro, A. Humphreys, N. H. Alves, A. Marti, J. P. Jordan, H. W. Sayer, A. J. Mackie. Third Heat—A. J. Darby, J. J. Watson, F. Long, N. H. Rutherford, H. M. Bain, H. D. Bell, J. H. A. Hance, H. P. Weppell. 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each heat to run in the final. Previous winners are—1898, F. H. Kew; 1899, F. H. Kew; 1900, A. Humphreys.

First Heat—J. H. Wittichell, 1; R. C. Wittichell, 2.
Second Heat—A. Humphreys, 1; J. P. Jordan, 2.
Third Heat—J. J. Watson, 1; A. J. Darby, 2.

120 YARDS HURDLE RACE (10 flights).—Previous Winners at Hongkong or elsewhere to be penalised 2½ yds. First prize presented by Mr. A. Donison; second prize presented by Mr. W. A. Crake. First Heat—R. C. Wittichell (Scratch), R. Hancock (Scratch), E. F. Ancott (Scratch), W. T. Andrews (Minus 2½ Yds.), T. C. Gray (Scratch). Second Heat—H. C. Austen (Scratch), J. H. Wittichell (Scratch), H. Hancock (Scratch), C. Humphreys (Scratch), A. Loureiro (Scratch). Third Heat—D. A. Menescal (Scratch), S. C. Ross (Scratch), A. E. Asger (Scratch), E. R. Horton (Minus 2½ Yds.), H. W. Sayer (Minus 2½ Yds.). Fourth Heat—N. H. Rutherford (Scratch), H. M. Bain (Scratch), H. D. Bell (Scratch), J. H. A. Hance (Scratch), J. P. Jordan (Minus 2½ Yds.). Previous Winners—1891, P. Hyndman; 1890, F. H. Kew.

First Heat—E. F. Ancott, 1; W. T. Andrews, 2.
Second Heat—H. Hancock, 1; J. H. Wittichell, 2.
Third Heat—E. R. Horton, 1; D. A. Menescal, 2.
Fourth Heat—J. P. Jordan, 1; N. H. Rutherford, 2.
Semi-final—H. Hancock, 1; J. H. Wittichell, 2.
Final—N. H. Rutherford, 1; J. P. Jordan, 2.

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LATE TELEGRAMS.

KAISER OFF DOVER.

London, 13th March.
The Kaiser William, on his way to the Mediterranean, spent half an hour off Dover, and had a good view of the harbour-works, in which he is keenly interested.

CHARGES AGAINST ITALIAN CONSUL GENERAL.

London, 14th March.

A sensation took place in the Italian Chamber to-day, the Foreign Minister stating that an investigation by the Consul at Zanzibar appeared to confirm the report that a Naval officer, recently appointed Consul-General at Aden, had been sentenced to death and thirty prisoners killed without trial while at Benadir waiting to be tried.

MINISTERIALISTE BLACK.

London, 16th March.

It is generally considered that yesterday's division is symptomatic of the perilous disorganisation of Ministerialists, who disregarded the earnest whip of Earl Percy.

[The division referred to is that described in the following telegram dated London, March 15th.—“On the motion of Mr. Redmond to reduce the Irish Education vote, the Government was defeated in a seventh division by 141 votes against 130. The Opposition moved to report progress. Mr. Balfour, treating the matter lightly, refused, and the motion was rejected by 171 votes against 148. The House subsequently proceeded with business, the excitement subsided, and the incident apparently closed.”]

A BYE-ELECTION.

London, 17th March.

Mr. Charles Lyall, the Liberal candidate, has been elected for East Dorset by a majority of 820 votes over Mr. C. Van Ransdale, the Conservative candidate. The polling was as follows:—

Mr. Lyall 5,929
Mr. Van Ransdale 5,109

The feeling amongst the Conservative benches is that the Government, having accidents, will pull through this Session.

LORD KITCHENER'S RECOVERY.

Calcutta, 17th March.

Lord Kitchener leaves Calcutta on the 31st instant, and visits Madras, Bangalore, Nagpur, and the United Provinces, and arrives at Simla about the end of April.

SHARE REPORT.

Messrs. Erich George & Co., in their weekly Share List dated 2nd April, state:—

Business during the week has been chiefly confined to a few leading stocks, of which Banks, Indos and Sugars have improved, while Docks show a firmer feeling; the settlements passed off satisfactorily. The sterling demand rate on London is 9½d., while rates on Shanghai have advanced to Tls. 72 for a T/T and Tls. 72½ for a three days' sight private draft. Bar silver in London is quoted 25½d., and Consols 286-7/16.

BANK SHARES.—Hongkong and Shanghai sold at rates ranging between 8610 and 8617½ and close firm at 8620; the London rate is 262 10s. 0d. Nationals unchanged.

MARINE INSURANCE SHARES.—Unions sold and are wanted at \$470. China Traders found buyers at \$56, and more shares could be placed. Other stocks under this heading unchanged. The 14th ordinary general meeting of shareholders in the Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited, will be held on 21st instant, transfer books closing from 11th to 21st instant.

FIRE INSURANCE SHARES.—Hongkong sold at 8285. Chinas are unchanged.

SHIPPING SHARES.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company shares are in demand at 829½. Indo-China sold at advancing rates and up to \$90 cash, \$91 per 31st May, \$92 per 30th June, \$93 per 31st July, and \$94 per 31st August, has been paid; the market closes steady at \$91; in Shanghai the rate on 31st ultimo went up to Tls. 66, but closes weaker. China and Manilas sold and have sellers at \$22. Douglas can be placed at \$34. Star Ferries sold at \$31 for old, and \$18½ for new shares, closing with further sellers at those rates. Shells are on offer at 19s. after a sale at that rate.

REFINERIES.—China Sugars have taken a fair spurt; they sold at \$110 to \$113 cash, \$112 to \$114 for 30th April \$115 to \$119 for 31st August, \$120 per 30th September, and \$119 to \$122 per 31st December, closing with buyers at \$114 cash and equivalent rates on time. Lurons are unchanged.

MINING SHARES.—Unchanged; no sales.

DOCKS, WHARVES, AND GODOWNS.—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company shares sold at \$205 cash, also at \$215 to \$216 for 31st August, closing strong. Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company shares can be placed at 89. New Amoy Docks unchanged. Furnham are quoted Tls. 145 in the north, and Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf shares Tls. 180.

LANDS, HOUSES, AND BUILDINGS.—Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company shares are quoted \$145, but no sales have transpired. Kowloon Lands, as well as West Points, are unchanged. Hongkong Hotels changed hands and are wanted at \$135. Humphreys are unchanged with sales and sellers at \$101 for old, and sales and buyers at \$2.60 for the new shares. Shanghai Lands unchanged. The Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd., advertises an extraordinary meeting of shareholders to alter the Articles of Association, viz. to increase directors' fees and reduce the number of auditors to one instead of two.

COTTON MILLS.—Unchanged.
MISCELLANEOUS.—Green Islands fetched \$25. China Borneos sold and have buyers at \$8.10. Watsons have been done at \$14 and more shares are wanted. Old Electric sold at \$13, and new shares at \$81. Campbell, Moore & Co.'s have sellers at \$87, ex the dividend of \$3 per share, payable to-day. China Providents are on offer at \$9. Watsons are wanted at \$8, ex the dividend of \$1 per share paid on 28th ultimo.

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NOTICE.

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HONGKONG GYMKHANA CLUB.

PROGRAMME

THE FIRST MEETING

TO BE HELD AT THE HAPPY VALLEY, ON

SATURDAY, 23rd APRIL, 1904.

4 p.m. 1. THE GRANTHAM CUP.—Presented by Hart Back, Esq. For all subscription griffins of any season that have never won an official race. Weight for inches as per scale. Unplaced runners allowed 5 lbs. Jockeys that have won an official race in Hongkong or China 2 lbs. extra; non-winning Jockeys allowed 5 lbs. Entrance 55. 5 Purlongs.

4.20 p.m. 2. THE EAST POINT CUP.—Presented by the Hon. C. W. Dickson. For all China Ponies weight for inches as per scale. Winners of an open race or open griffin race 5 lbs. extra; non-winning subscription griffins allowed 5 lbs. Jockeys penalties and allowances as per Race No. 1. Entrance 55. From the two mile post one round and in.

4.40 p.m. 3. THE "GIRTHAN" CUP.—Presented by G. C. C. Master, Esq. Hurdle race. For all China Ponies. Weight 11 stone. Jockeys penalties and allowances as per Race No. 1, but winners of a hurdle race or stephane on an off day at Shanghai or Hongkong to be treated as winning Jockeys. Entrance 55. From the grand stand, twice round and in.

5 p.m. 4. THE GYMKHANA CLUB CHALLENGE CUP.—Value 5—(not less than 500). For all China Ponies. Weight for inches as per scale. No. 2 Jockeys penalties and allowances as per Race No. 1. To be won by the pony scoring most marks in the races for the Cup by the end of the Club's season, counting 4 for a first, 2 for a second and 1 for a third. The benefit of marks already scored to pass with the pony on a sale. Any winner of the race to carry 5 lbs. extra for each win in subsequent starts for the Cup; penalties accumulative up to 15 lbs. Five to start or no race. Entrance 55 to go in the purchase of a memento to the winner of each race. One mile.

5.0 p.m. POLO POOL SCURRY.—For a Cup presented by the Club—Open to all bona fide polo players passed as such by the Committee of the Club. Catch weights not less than 11 stone. Best of three heats to be run without discounting each from the distance post. Entrance 55. 5.45 p.m. 6. THE "PRIMROSE" CUP.—Presented by J. H. Lewis, Esq.—For all China Ponies that have won no flat race of any description since the 1st January 1904. Weight for inches as per scale. To be ridden by Jockeys that have not won an official race in Hongkong or China. Entrance 55. Half mile.

Entries (which must state the name, owner, height and color of ponies entered, and be accompanied by the necessary fees) close to the Honorary Secretary at the Hongkong Club at 6 p.m. on Wednesday the 13th April, 1904. The Committee reserve the right to declare off any race for which there are not at least five entries and three starters.

Attention is drawn to the rules of the Club providing that (a) No person shall be a member of the Club unless he is a member of the Hongkong Jockey Club. (b) All members of the Hongkong Jockey Club shall be eligible for election without ballot; and (c) No person unless he is a member of this Club shall be eligible to ride or run any pony at any Gymkhana meeting. Notice of intended membership should be sent to the undersigned.

F. B. DEACON, Honorary Secretary and Treasurer.

Hongkong, 4th April, 1904. [93]

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NOTICE.

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C. PEMBERTON, Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 4th April, 1904. [934]

ENTERTAINMENT

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

SEVENTH ATHLETIC MEETING.

THE COMMITTEE of the VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB request the pleasure of the Company of the Ladies of Hongkong on EASTER MONDAY, the 4th APRIL, at 1 p.m., on the Hongkong Football Club Ground (kindly placed at the disposal of the Committee) at the Happy Valley.

By kind permission of Lt.-Col. W. S. BIRDWOOD and Officers, the Band of the 110th Mahratta Light Infantry will perform, during the afternoon.

Admission to the Grand Stand and Enclosure (Gentlemen) 81.00. Members of the Hongkong Football Club on presenting Membership Ticket, Free. No Persons other than Officials and Competitors allowed within the course.

HAROLD C. AUSTEN, Acting Hon. Secretary V.R.C.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1904. [922]

AL FRESCO FETE.

On behalf of the ORPHANS and INVALIDS of the

ITALIAN CONVENT.

TO be held in the Compound of the ROMAN CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL on SUNDAY EVENING, the 10th APRIL, 1904, from 9 to 11 p.m.

The Superiors while thanking the benevolent Friends and Benefactors of the Institution, for the many proofs she has had of their generosity, hopes to receive and merit a large share of Public Patronage.

Hongkong, 29th March, 1904. [884]

FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

EASTER HOLIDAYS.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT FIRE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business TO-DAY (MONDAY, the 4th April, 1904).

By Order, A. R. LOWE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 1st April, 1904. [920]

BANK HOLIDAYS.

IN accordance with the provisions of Ordinance No. 6 of 1875 the EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business TO-DAY (EASTER MONDAY), the 4th April, 1904.

Hongkong, 31st March, 1904. [901]

OLD CHELTONIANS.

AN OLD CHELTONIAN DINNER will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL TO-NIGHT (MONDAY), the 4th APRIL, 1904, at 7.45 for 8 p.m.

Old Cheltonians desirous of attending are requested to send their names as soon as possible to—

T. C. GRAY, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong Club, 31st March, 1904. [902]

WANTED.

SHORTHAND CLERK and TYPE-WRITERS, must know the "Up-to-date" system. Address—

Care of Daily Press Office.

Hongkong, 29th March, 1904. [836]

WANTED.

FURNISHED HOUSE on the Peak from the 1st of May. Apply to—

B. H., Care of Daily Press Office.

Hongkong, 31st March, 1904. [899]

WANTED AT THE PEAK.

FROM 1st May, a BEDROOM, Furnished or Unfurnished, for a bachelor, with or without Board. Apply by letter to—

"BOX 711," Care of Daily Press Office.

Hongkong, 29th March, 1904. [881]

FOR SALE.

HOUSE BOAT, 42 feet long; Copper bottom; now lying off Ah King's slip-way. Offers may be sent to—

Care of Daily Press Office.

Hongkong, 22nd March, 1904. [890]

FOR SALE.

THE HOUSE No. 4, STEWART TERRACE, PRAT. Five Rooms and Offices, with FURNITURE. Also The large CROQUET LAWN above the Terrace (about 20,000 square feet) with equipment. Nominal CROWN RENT. Price: \$19,000, of which two-thirds can remain on mortgage. For Further Particulars, apply to—

TURNER & CO. [613]

MAIL TABLES

FOR 1904.

Mounted on Card ... 30 cents

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On Sale at the Daily Press Office.

NOTICE TO KOWLOON RESIDENTS.

EXTRA COPIES of Daily Press are on sale daily at Mr. H. BUTTONJEE'S KOWLOON STORE, No. 38, Elgin Road. Price 15 cents per copy cash. Hongkong, 22nd December, 1903. [3513]

PUBLIC COMPANIES

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE FIFTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held in the OFFICE of the General Managers, No. 14, Des Vaux Road, Victoria, on WEDNESDAY, the 6th APRIL, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving Statement of Accounts and Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1903, declaring a Dividend and Electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED on SATURDAY, 2nd April, at 1 p.m. until WEDNESDAY, 6th April.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 15th March, 1904. [791]

THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT AN EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at No. 5, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on the 9th day of April, 1904, at 12 o'clock Noon when the following resolutions will be proposed:

(a) In Article 51 the words "Five hundred dollars" shall be substituted for the words "One hundred and fifty dollars."

(b) In Article 102 the words "An Auditor" shall be substituted for the words "Two Auditors."

(c) In Article 108 the word "Auditor" shall be substituted for the word "Auditors."

Should these resolutions be passed by the required majority they will be submitted for confirmation as special resolutions to a Second Extraordinary Meeting which shall be subsequently convened.

Dated the 28th March, 1904.

A. SHELTON HOOVER, Secretary to

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

General Agents for

THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FOURTEENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Association will be held at the HEAD OFFICE, No. 26, The Bund, Shanghai, on THURSDAY, the 21st APRIL, 1904, at 4.30 o'clock p.m. precisely, for presentation of the Report of the Directors and the Accounts to the 31st December, 1903; the election of Directors and Auditor for the current year, and for the purpose of transacting any other business which may be transacted at an Ordinary General Meeting.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Association will be CLOSED from the 11th of APRIL, to the 21st of APRIL, 1904, both days inclusive.

Members holding proxies for absent Shareholders must deposit same with the Secretary for Registration at least Forty Eight hours before the Meeting.

By Order of the Board of Directors, W. S. JACKSON, Secretary.

Shanghai, 25th March, 1904. [894]

THE EASTERN EXTENSION AUSTRIA-LASIA AND CHINA TELEGRAPH COMPANY, LIMITED.

REFERRING to the notice of 21st December last, the senders of Telegrams are hereby advised that from the 1st of APRIL next, the charges for Telegrams will, subject to revision after three months, be collected at the rate of FORTY-FIVE CENTS to equal One Franc.

J. M. DECK, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 24th March, 1904. [894]

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE EIGHTEENTH YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the Hongkong Club will be held in the CLUB HOUSE, on WEDNESDAY the 6th APRIL, 1904, at 5 p.m.

By Order, C. H. GRACE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 26th March, 1904. [855]

GOVERNMENT BILLS.

TENDERS for SP/16 BRITISH and MEXICAN DOLLARS, current in this Colony, in Exchange for Sterling Bills drawn at 10 days sight on the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, London, will be received by the Chief Paymaster, Army Pay Department, until 11 a.m. on the 6th April, 1904.

The Tenders to state the total amount (in Pounds Sterling) and the amount for which each Bill should be drawn, but no Bills will be issued for less than £100.

The Tenders to be in Duplicate, and in Sealed Covers, addressed to the CHIEF PAYMASTER, Army Pay Department, and endorsed "TENDERS FOR GOVERNMENT BILLS."

This right to accept or reject any or all of the Tenders is reserved.

Copies of Forms of Tender can be had on application. GEO. H. FERRIER, Colonel, A.P.D., H.M. Treasury Chest Officer.

His Majesty's Treasury Office, Fletcher Street, Hongkong, 31st March, 1904. [924]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that PRACTICE with 15-p. B. L. Guns will be carried out from the road near Suwau Hill in a direction South-East on to Dragon's Back, and with 4.7in. Q. F. Guns from Lyman in a direction North-East across the sea on to High Junk Peak on the 8th April, 1904, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

By Command, A. M. THOMSON, Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 30th March, 1904. [904]

AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held TO-MORROW (TUESDAY), the 5th day of APRIL, 1904, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, of One Lot of Crown Land at Bonham Road, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in Square ft.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
1	Inland Lot No. 1714	Bonham Road 100' 0" 115' 0" 65' 0" 5' 0" 31' 0"	5,700	31' 0"	1,600

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in Square ft.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
1	New Kowloon Lot No. 2	Lai Chi Kok 214' 7" 63' 0" 310' 315' 0" 2,978' 0"	315,000	2,978' 0"	3,378

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

MESSRS. HUGHES and HOUGH have been instructed to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, on SATURDAY, the 9th APRIL, 1904, at 12 o'clock Noon, at their Office No. 8, Des Vaux Road Central, (Corner of Lee House Street), THE VERY VALUABLE LEASEHOLD BEING INLAND LOT No. 631, in two lots as follows:—

LOT I, Nos. 62 and 64, FIRST STREET, and

Nos. 61 and 63, SECOND STREET, and

LOT II, Nos. 66 and 68, FIRST STREET, Nos. 65 and 67, SECOND STREET, Victoria, Hongkong.

The property is held for the residue of a term of 999 years on the 26th December, 1890, at the Annual Crown Rent of \$723, and is let on monthly tenancies, Lot I, producing a monthly rental of \$140.50 and Lot II, producing a monthly rental of \$138.50.

Particulars and Conditions of sale may be had from the Vendor's Solicitors, Messrs. DEACON, LOCKER & DEACON, 10, Queen's Road Central.

And also of the Auctioneers, Hongkong, 23rd March, 1904. [816]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 11th day of APRIL, 1904, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, of Two Lots of Crown Forelands and Sea Bed at Chaukiwan, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOTS.

No. of Sale.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in Square ft.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
1	Shaukiwan Lot No. 401	Shaukiwan 60' 50' 50' 75' 75' 3,750	3,750	39' 0"	1,125
2	Shaukiwan Lot No. 402	Shaukiwan 50' 50' 50' 75' 75' 3,750	3,750	39' 0"	1,125

PUBLIC AUCTION.

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PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in Square ft.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
1	Inland Lot No. 1712	Conduit Road 97' 0" 21' 172' 124' 9' 255' 10,972' 0"	10,972	30' 0"	1,600

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
 April 1, ARDANDEAU, British str., William Kinloy, Moji 27th March, Coal.—BRADLEY & CO.
 April 1, GRENVALLOCH, British str., 1,434, R. S. Bainbridge, Singapore 26th March, General.—CHINESE.
 April 1, HACHING, British str., 1,267, A. E. Hodgins, Foochow via Ports 31st March, General.—DOUGLAS LAFRAIR & CO.
 April 1, KWANGTAI, Chinese str., 1,336, W. H. Lunt, Shanghai 26th Mar., General.—CHINESE.
 April 1, M. STREVE, German steamer, 960, T. Brandt, Fuzhou 26th March, Amoy 30th and Swatow 31st, General.—OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA.
 April 2, HOHAO, French steamer, 509, Costa, Haiphong 30th March and Hoihow 1st April, General.—A. R. MARRY.
 April 2, TRAUBA, British steamer, 5,197, C. R. Kendall, Moji and Japan 27th March, Coal.—JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.
 April 2, KAIKONG, British str., 1,024, H. G. Pennefather, Manila 30th Mar., General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
 April 2, KUMANG, British str., 2,077, E. J. Duller, Saigon 30th Mar., Rice.—JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.
 April 2, LYREBONON, German str., 1,238, Th. Lehmann, Shanghai 30th March, General.—SILVERMAN & CO.
 April 2, MERRIO, Chinese str., from Canton.
 April 2, TRITON, German str., 1,033, H. Kraft, Swatow 1st April, General.—OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA.
 April 3, ARMAND BEHIC, French str., 2,813, Flaudin, Yokohama via ports 25th March, Mail and General.—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
 April 3, CHENAN, British str., from Canton.
 April 3, FOYLE, British str., 2,693, Page, Kaituma 27th March, Coal.—MITSUBISHI SHEN KAISHA.
 April 3, PETCHABURI, German str., 1,376, J. Hillman, Kobe 27th March, Rice and Wood.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
 April 3, PITSANULOK, German str., 1,267, C. Fuchs, Bangkok 27th March, Rice and Timber.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

DEPARTURES.

1st April.
 ELLEN RICHARDS, German str., for Bangkok.
 HENRI, Norwegian str., for Tamsui.
 HENRI, British str., for Singapore.
 KENNEDY, British str., for Manila.
 MACHRE, German str., for Swatow.
 OORACK, British str., for Shanghai.
 PROGRESS, Ger. str., for Hoihow.
 QUANG-NAM, French str., for Hongkong.
 RAJABULI, German str., for Swatow.
 THALES, British str., for Swatow.
 TERSTA, British str., for Yokohama.
 TREMONT, American str., for Tacoma.
 2nd April.
 AMADA, British str., for Saigon.
 BATAVIA, German str., for Kobe.
 ERANO, British str., for Swatow.
 KWANGTAI, Chinese str., for Canton.
 SAKSEN, German str., for Bangkok.
 TYDEUS, British str., for Manila.
 3rd April.
 ABYSSINIA, German str., for Hamburg.
 BOUBON, French str., for Saigon.
 BEHIC, French str., for Saigon.
 HONGKONG, French str., for Haiphong.
 LOTAL, German str., for Kobe.
 MEDAN, German str., for Yap.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

ABERDEEN DOCK.—Borg, Bred.
 KOWLOON DOCK.—H. L. M. S. Meece, Lin Tan, Hanai, Tah Hing, Mercedes, COSMOPOLITAN DOCK.—H. M. S. Otter.

VESSELS ON THE BEETH

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
 PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship

"ANNAM."

Captain Girard, will be despatched for the above ports on about MONDAY, the 4th April. For Freight or Passage, apply to G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.
 Hongkong, 29th March, 1904.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
 PAQUEBOTS-POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, PONDICHERY, CALCUTTA, BOMBAY, ADEN, DJIBOUTI, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX; ALSO.

PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON TUESDAY, the 5th April, 1904, at 1 P.M., the Company's Steamship "ARMAND BEHIC," Captain Flaudin, with Mail, Passengers, Specie and Cargo, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES via Ports of Call, WITHOUT TRANSITMENT.
 This Steamer connects at COLOMBO with the Australian line s.s. "Oceanic," bound for MARSEILLES via ROMBAI and ADEN. Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.
 Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon only on Monday, the 4th April. Specie and Parcels received until 4 P.M. on the same day. No Cargo will be received on board on Tuesday. Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office. Contents and Value of Packages are required.
 For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.
 G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.
 Hongkong, 25th March, 1904.

FOR CANTON.

THE new and fast Twin-Screw Steamer

"SAN CHEUNG," 951 Tons, Captain A. Murphy, will leave for Canton at 8.30 P.M. on SUNDAYS, TUESDAYS and THURSDAYS and return to Hongkong on the following days, leaving Canton at 5 P.M. Excellent accommodation, electric light, and perfect cuisine. Wharf at Hongkong near Harbour Office.
 First-class Fare, \$3 each way. Second-class, \$1.50 each way. Meals, \$1 each.
 Cargo Freight very moderate.
 CHEUNG ON STEAMBOAT CO., LD
 No. 147, Connaught Road Central.
 Hongkong, 15th March, 1904.

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON, &c., via PORTS OF CALL	BALLAARAT	Brit. str.	C. R. Longden	P. & O. S. N. Co.	9th inst., at Noon.
LONDON & ANTWERP	MACHAON	Brit. str.	A. F. Street	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	12th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, &c.	MALACCA	Brit. str.	A. F. Street	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 13th inst.
LONDON & ANTWERP	TELMACHUS	Brit. str.	A. F. Street	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	26th inst.
MARSEILLES, &c., via PORTS OF CALL	JASON	Brit. str.	A. F. Street	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	10th May.
BREMEN, via PORTS OF CALL	A. BEHIC	Ger. str.	Flaudin	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	To-morrow, 1 P.M.
HAMBURG	HAMBURG	Ger. str.	Burmester	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	13th inst., Noon.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	BRISGAVIA	Ger. str.	Schulke	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	25th inst.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	ARTEMISIA	Ger. str.	Gronmeyer	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	3rd May.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	MARBURG	Ger. str.	Stern	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	17th May.
TRIESTE, &c., via SINGAPORE, &c.	STRASSBURG	Aus. str.	Madsen	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	31st May.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	TRIESTE	Brit. str.	Mozzi	SANDER, WIEBER & CO.	20th inst., P.M.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	ACHILLES	Brit. str.	Mozzi	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	14th inst.
NEW YORK, via PORTS & SUEZ CANAL	SAINT IRENE	Brit. str.	Mozzi	DODWELL & CO., LD.	20th inst.
VANCOUVER, via SHANGHAI, &c.	E. OF INDIA	Brit. str.	G. V. Williams	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	29th inst.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & TACOMA via N'AKI, &c.	ATRENTAN	Brit. str.	G. V. Williams	DODWELL & CO., LIMITED	4th May.
PORTLAND, OREGON	LYRA	Brit. str.	G. V. Williams	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	19th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	TAISON	Brit. str.	G. V. Williams	PORTLAND & ASIATIC CO.	14th inst.
YOKOHAMA, via SHANOHAI, MOJI & KOBE	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	G. V. Williams	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	8th inst.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	FORMOSA	Brit. str.	McArthur	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	8th inst., at Noon.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	ARTEMISIA	Ger. str.	Gronmeyer	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 5th inst.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	LIAN	Brit. str.	Gronmeyer	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	7th inst., at Noon.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	WHAMPOA	Brit. str.	Gronmeyer	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 4 P.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	ANNAM	Brit. str.	Gronmeyer	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	About 4th inst.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	MAITA	Brit. str.	Gronmeyer	P. & O. S. N. Co.	13th inst., 10 A.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	TRIUMPH	Jap. str.	A. Hansen	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	7th inst., 10 A.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	M. STREVE	Jap. str.	T. Brandt	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	10th inst., 10 A.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	Jap. str.	H. A. Haraldsen	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	6th inst., 10 A.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	HAIPHONG	Jap. str.	H. Kraft	DOUGLAS LAFRAIR & CO.	To-morrow, 10 A.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	CHUHI	Brit. str.	Hodgins	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	7th inst., at 4 P.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	KAIKONG	Brit. str.	R. Hodger	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	6th inst.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	ZAFIRO	Brit. str.	R. Hodger	SHAWAN, TOMES & CO.	9th inst., 10 A.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	RUH	Brit. str.	R. W. Almond	SHAWAN, TOMES & CO.	16th inst., 10 A.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	SHAWMUT	Brit. str.	W. M. Smith	DODWELL & CO., LD.	About 30th inst.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	WUCHANG	Brit. str.	W. M. Smith	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	7th inst., at 4 P.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	TAIPANAS	Dut. str.	H. C. Trading Co.	H. C. TRADING CO.	Quick despatch.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	LIGHTNING	Brit. str.	J. G. Spence	DAVID SASSON & CO., LD.	6th inst., at 3 P.M.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE & PENANG	Ital. str.	Bolsito	CARLOWITZ & CO.	13th inst., Noon.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Steamship

"ARTEMISIA," Captain Gronmeyer, will be despatched for the above ports on THURSDAY, the 7th April, at Noon.

For Freight, apply to HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 31st March, 1904.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at TIMOR, PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship

"AUSTRALIAN," Captain McArthur, will be despatched for the above ports on FRIDAY, the 8th April, at Noon.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.

N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of passengers the Steamers of the Company have electric fans fitted in staterooms.

For Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1904.

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "WING CHAI," Captain Samuel Bell Smith.

DEPARTURES from Hongkong on week days, at 7.30 A.M., on Excursion Sundays, at 8.30 A.M., from Macao week days at about 2 P.M. and Sundays about 7.30 P.M.

FARE—(week days) 1st Class (including cabin and servant), \$3. Return Ticket \$5.

2nd Class \$1. 3rd Class 50 cents.

On Excursion Sundays 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Class Single Ticket \$2. Return Ticket \$3.

Return Ticket including Tiffin and Dinner either on board or at Macao Hotel \$5. On Sundays \$5 extra will be charged for each Cabin which has accommodation for two or more Passengers.

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Hongkong, 27th February, 1904.

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Hongkong, 23rd March, 1904.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS.
YOKOHAMA, via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA (Passing through the Inland Sea)	FORMOSA	About 5th April	Freight and Passage.
LONDON, &c.	BALLAARAT	Noon, 9th April	See Special Advertisement.
SHANGHAI	MALTA	About 10th April	Freight and Passage.
LONDON AND ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, PORT SAID and MARSEILLES	MALACCA	About 13th April	Freight and Passage.

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E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 30th March, 1904.

PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG SHAI via INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA FOR OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH THE OREGON RAILROAD & NAVIGATION CO.	TONS.	CAPTAIN	TO SAIL ON
"NICOMEDIA"	437		April 14, 1904
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Hongkong, 29th March, 1904.

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Hongkong, 30th March, 1904.

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PERLA	1950	A. H. Notley		

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Hongkong, 30th March, 1904.

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STEAMERS.	SAILING DATES.
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PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY 27th April
OLDENBURG	WEDNESDAY 11th May
BAYERN	WEDNESDAY 25th May
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY 8th June
ZIETEN	WEDNESDAY 22nd June
SEYDLITZ	WEDNESDAY 6th July
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	WEDNESDAY 20th July
RUON	WEDNESDAY 3rd August
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY 17th August
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY 31st August
GNEISENAU	WEDNESDAY 14th September
BAYERN	WEDNESDAY 28th September
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY 12th October
ZIETEN	WEDNESDAY 26th October
PRINZESS ALICE	WEDNESDAY 9th November
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	WEDNESDAY 23rd November
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY 7th December
PRINZ BIEL FRIEDRICH	WEDNESDAY 21st December
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY 4th January 1905

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ON WEDNESDAY, the 13th day of APRIL, 1904, at Noon, the Steamship "HAMBURG," of the Hamburg-Amerika Linie, Captain Burmeister, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, CALLING AT NAPLES and GENOA.

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GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"HYSON"	On 17th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"PROMETHEUS"	On 24th April.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"DEUCALION"	On 1st May.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"ULYSSES"	On 7th May.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"DARDANUS"	On 20th May.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON and ANTWERP...	"MACHAON"	On 12th April.
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL...	"IDOMENEUS"	On 14th April.
LONDON and ANTWERP...	"TELEMACHUS"	On 25th April.
LONDON and ANTWERP...	"JASON"	On 10th May.
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL...	"ACHILLES"	On 20th May.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via NAGASAKI, KOBE, and YOKOHAMA.	"HYSON"	On 19th April.

The s.s. "ANHUI" left Port Darwin on the 30th inst., for Manila and Hongkong.
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Hongkong, 30th March, 1904. [10-11]

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SHANGHAI	"LINAN"	On 4th April, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"WHAMPOA"	On 5th April, 4 P.M.
MANILA	"KAIFONG"	On 6th April, 4 P.M.
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Hongkong, 4th April, 1904. [12]

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TUMAH...	JAPAN	First half of April	SINGAPORE & JAVA	First half of April

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THE AGENTS,
THE HOLLAND CHINA TRADING CO.
Telephone No. 201.
Hongkong, 25th March, 1904. [25]

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship
"LIGHTNING,"
Captain J. G. Spence, will be despatched for the above ports on WEDNESDAY, the 6th April, at 3 P.M.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASSOON & CO., LD.
Agents.
Hongkong, 31st March, 1904. [35]

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.
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THE Steamship
"BALLAARAT,"
Captain C. B. Longdon, R.N., carrying His Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this office for Bombay, etc., on SATURDAY, the 9th APRIL, at Noon, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports.
Silk and Valuable, all cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, etc., will be conveyed via Bombay.
Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.
Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.
For further particulars, apply to
E. A. HEWITT,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 29th March, 1904. [1]

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.
STEAM FOR FIUME AND TRIESTE (DIRECT), calling at SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, KARACHI, ADEEN, SUEZ and PORT SAID.
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THE Company's Steamship
"TRIESTE,"
Captain Mesozzi, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 20th April, P.M.
For information as to Passage and Freight, apply to
SANDER, WIELER & CO.,
Agents.
Princess Building.
Hongkong, 29th March, 1904. [3]

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.
THE Undermentioned GENERAL AGENTS in CHINA and JAPAN for the above Line are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS OF LADING for all the principal ports in SOUTH AFRICA, in connection with INDIA, CHINA, STRAITS, and other ports, fortnightly service hence to CALCUTTA. Sailings from CALCUTTA for CAPE PORTS every fortnight.
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DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,
General Agents for China and Japan.
Hongkong, 4th August, 1897. [8]

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THE Steamship
"CAPRI,"
Captain Balsito, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 13th April, at Noon.
At Bombay the Steamer is discharging in Victoria Dock.
For further particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to
CARLOWITZ & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 30th March, 1904. [4]

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL (WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT PHILIPPINE PORTS).
PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
"SAINT IRENE" ... 2nd April.
For Freight and further information, apply to
DODWELL & CO., LD.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 28th March, 1904. [125]

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES
"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.
FROM MIDDLESBRO, LONDON AND STRAITS.
THE Steamship
"GLENARTNEY,"
having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Kowloon, where each Consignment will be sorted out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.
Goods not cleared by the 5th prox., will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance will be effected.
All damaged packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate of the damage obtained from the Godown Company within ten days after the steamer's arrival, after which no claims will be recognised.
McKEGRO BROS. & GOW.
Hongkong, 29th March, 1904. [85]

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.
IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
THE Steamship
"PRINZ HEINRICH,"
OF THE NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 5 P.M., TO-DAY, the 30th inst.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 6th April, will be subject to rent.
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Wednesday, the 6th April, at 8.30 A.M.
All Claims must reach us before the 6th April, or they will not be recognised.
No Fire Insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.
NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, MELOCHERS & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 30th March, 1904. [5]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED, AND CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.
CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer
"OOPACK,"
are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft, and/or land at the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., where in both cases it will be at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 2nd inst.
Optional cargo will be landed, unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined at 11 A.M., on the 7th prox.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 7th prox., will be subject to rent.
All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 10th prox., or they will not be recognised.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
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Hongkong, 31st March, 1904. [10-11]

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Hongkong, 1st April, 1904. [1923]

THE TRADE MARKS ORDINANCE, 1898.
APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF TRADE MARK.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that The BRADFORD DYERS' ASSOCIATION LIMITED, of No. 39, West Street, Bradford, Yorkshire, England, Dyers, have, on the 30th day of January, 1904, applied for the registration in Hongkong in the Register of TRADE MARKS of the following TRADE MARK:
The representation of a bird's nest with three eggs lying inside it.
In the name of The BRADFORD DYERS' ASSOCIATION LIMITED, who claim to be the proprietors thereof.
The TRADE MARK has been used by the Applicants in respect of the following goods: Cotton piece goods of all kinds except white cotton piece goods in class 24. Silk piece goods in class 31. Cloths and stuffs of wool worsted or hair in class 34.
A Facsimile of the TRADE MARK can be seen at the Office of the Colonial Secretary of Hongkong and also at the Office of the undersigned.
Dated the 4th day of March, 1904.
JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER,
Solicitors for the Applicants,
8, Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong.
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HIS BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S SHIPS IN THE CHINA SQUADRON.
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Albatross, minesweeper, 1,050 tons, 6 guns, 1,100 h.p., Comdr. Rowland Nugent, Hongkong.
Amir, ironclad, 11,000 tons, 18,000 h.p., Capt. Charles Windham, C.V.O., Hongkong.
Blenheim, 1st class cruiser, 9,000 tons, 12 guns, 21,411 h.p., Capt. F. G. Stopford, at Hongkong.
Bramble, gunboat, 710 tons, 6 guns, 1,300 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. C. O. M. Makins, Yangtze.
Britomart, gunboat, 710 tons, 6 guns, 1,300 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. Thos. D. Pratt, Yangtze.
Centurion, battleship, 10,500 tons, Capt. Fegen, Hongkong.
Cressy, cruiser, 12,000 tons, 14 guns, 21,000 h.p., Capt. Henry M. T. Tudor, Hongkong.
Delphin, cruiser, 5,600 tons, 11 guns, Captain Stokes, Singapore.
Espiegle, gunboat, 1,070 tons, 10 guns, Comdr. Ernest G. Barton, Newchwang.
Fame, torpedo-boat destroyer, 360 tons, 6 guns, 5,700 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. C. Assor, at Hongkong.
Fearless, gunboat, 443 tons, 12 guns, Comdr. Vaughan Lewis, Weihaiwei.
Glory, battleship, 12,950 tons, 16 guns, 13,500 h.p., Captain A. W. Carter, Hongkong.
Handy, torpedo-boat destroyer, 260 tons, 6 guns, 4,000 h.p., in reserve.
Hart, torpedo-boat destroyer, 230 tons, 6 guns, 4,000 h.p., in reserve.
Humber, storeship, 1,840 tons, Comdr. John D. Daintree, Weihaiwei.
Janus, torpedo-boat destroyer, 280 tons, 6 guns, 3,900 h.p., in reserve.
Kinshasa, river gunboat, 331 tons, Lieut. Comdr. Christopher P. Melcalf, on Yangtze.
Lievianth, cruiser, 14,100 tons, Capt. Hon. W. G. Stopford, Weihaiwei.
Moorhen, river gunboat, 180 tons, 2 guns, Lieut. Comdr. G. G. Webster, West River.
Ocean, battleship, 12,950 tons, 16 guns, 13,500 h.p., Captain R. F. O. Foote, C.M.G., Hongkong.
Otter, torpedo-boat destroyer, 350 tons, in reserve.
Phoenix, sloop, 1,015 tons, 6 guns, 1,400 h.p., Comdr. J. Nicholas, Shanghai.
Rambler, surveying-ship, 533 tons, Capt. Morris H. Smyth, Hongkong.
Rinaldo, sloop, 980 tons, 6 guns, Comdr. D. St. Aubyn Wake, Hongkong.
Robin, river gunboat, 85 tons, 2 guns, 240 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. Vaughan, West River.
Rosario, sloop, 980 tons, 6 guns, 1,140 h.p., Comdr. Thos. Jackson, Yangtze.
Sandpiper, river gunboat, 85 tons, 2 guns, 240 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. L. W. Jones, West River.
Sirius, 2nd class cruiser, 3,900 tons, Capt. C. H. H. Moore, cruising.
Snipe, river gunboat, 85 tons, 2 guns, 240 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. Ernest W. G. Davidson, on Yangtze.
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